

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-45 (Canceled)

1 Claim 46 (previously presented): A method for processing  
2 search results, the method comprising acts of:  
3       a) receiving search results that have been generated  
4       based on a query that includes one or more keywords;  
5       b) receiving at least one of the one or more  
6       keywords; and  
7       c) generating a set of final search results from the  
8       search results that were received, the act of  
9       generating being performed by using one or more  
10      segments of the search results, wherein each of the  
11      one or more segments used includes at least one of the  
12      one or more keywords.

1 Claim 47 (previously presented): The method of claim 46  
2 wherein the act of generating a set of final search results  
3 includes  
4       1) determining, using the one or more keywords,  
5       whether or not a candidate search result is  
6       similar to a search result already in the set of  
7       final search results, and  
8       2) if it is determined that the candidate search  
9       result is similar to a search result already in  
10      the set of final search results, then not adding  
11      the candidate search result to the set of final  
12      search results.

1 Claim 48 (previously presented): The method of claim 46  
2 wherein the act of generating a set of final search results  
3 includes

4       1) determining, using the one or more keywords,  
5           whether or not a candidate search result is  
6           similar to a search result already in the set of  
7           final search results, and  
8       2) adding the search results to the set of final  
9           search results only if it is determined that the  
10          candidate search result is not similar to any  
11          search results already in the set of final search  
12          result.

1 Claim 49 (currently amended): Apparatus comprising:

2       a) at least one processor; and  
3       b) at least one storage device storing [[A  
4           ~~computer readable medium including machine]] processor~~  
5           executable instructions which, when executed by the at  
6           least one processor [[a machine]], processes search  
7           results by:

8        1 [[a]]) receiving search results that have been  
9           generated based on a query that includes one or  
10          more keywords, [[+]]  
11        2 [[b]]) receiving at least one of the one or  
12          more keywords, [[+]] and  
13        3 [[e]]) generating a set of final search  
14          results from the search results that were  
15          received, the act of generating being performed  
16          by using one or more segments of the search  
17          results, wherein each of the one or more segments  
18          used includes at least one of the one or more  
19          keywords.

1 Claim 50 (currently amended): The apparatus  
2 ~~[[computer readable medium]]~~ of claim 49 wherein the at  
3 least one storage device ~~[[including]]~~ further stores  
4 processor ~~[[machine]]~~ executable instructions which, when  
5 executed by the at least one processor ~~[[a machine]]~~,  
6 generate the set of final search results by  
7       A ~~[[1]]~~) determining, using the one or  
8       more keywords, whether or not a candidate  
9       search result is similar to a search result  
10      already in the set of final search results,  
11      and  
12       B ~~[[2]]~~) adding the candidate search  
13       result to the set of final search results  
14       only if it is determined that the candidate  
15       search result is not similar to any search  
16       results already in the set of final search  
17       result.

1 Claim 51 (previously presented): An apparatus for  
2 processing search results, the apparatus comprising:  
3       a) a storage facility for storing search results that  
4       were generated based on a query that includes one or  
5       more keywords and for storing at least one of the one  
6       or more keywords; and  
7       b) a final results generator for generating a set of  
8       final search results from the search results stored in  
9       the storage facility using segments of the search  
10      results, wherein each of the segments includes at  
11      least one of the one or more keywords stored in the  
12      storage facility.

1       Claim 52 (previously presented): The apparatus of claim  
2       51 wherein the final set generator includes  
3               1) a similarity determination facility for  
4               determining, using the one or more keywords,  
5               whether or not a search result is similar to a  
6               search result already in the set of final  
7               search results, and  
8               2) means for adding the search results to the  
9               set of final search results only if the  
10              similarity determination facility determines  
11              that the search result is not similar to any  
12              search results already in the set of final  
13              search result.

Claim 53 (canceled)

1       Claim 54 (previously presented): The method of claim 46  
2       wherein the act of generating a set of final search results  
3       from the search results received includes using comparisons  
4       of the segments of the search results.

1       Claim 55 (previously presented): The method of claim 46  
2       wherein the set of final search results includes Web pages.

Claim 56 (canceled)

1       Claim 57 (currently amended): The apparatus  
2       ~~[computer readable medium]~~ of claim 49 wherein the at  
3       least one storage device further stores processor  
4       ~~[including machine]~~ executable instructions which, when  
5       executed by the at least one processor ~~[a machine]~~,  
6       generate a set of final search results from the search

7 results received by using comparisons of the segments of  
8 the search results.

1 Claim 58 (currently amended): The apparatus  
2 [[~~computer readable medium~~]] of claim 49 wherein the set of  
3 final search results includes Web pages.

Claim 59 (canceled)

1 Claim 60 (previously presented): The apparatus of claim 51  
2 wherein the final results generator includes  
3 - means for generating the set of final search  
4 results from the search results stored using  
5 comparisons of the segments of the search  
6 results.

1 Claim 61 (previously presented): The apparatus of claim 51  
2 wherein the set of final search results includes Web pages.

1 Claim 62 (previously presented): The method of claim 46  
2 wherein the acts (a), (b) and (c) of the method are  
3 performed automatically, without the need for user  
4 intervention.

1 Claim 63 (previously presented): The apparatus of claim 51  
2 wherein the final results generator operates automatically,  
3 without the need for user intervention.

1 Claim 64 (previously presented): The method of claim 46  
2 wherein the segments are windows defined by a predetermined  
3 number of characters.

1 Claim 65 (previously presented): The method of claim 46  
2 wherein the segments are windows defined by a predetermined  
3 number of words.

1 Claim 66 (previously presented): The method of claim 46  
2 wherein the segments are sentences.

1 Claim 67 (previously presented): The method of claim 46  
2 wherein the segments are paragraphs.

1 Claim 68 (previously presented): The apparatus of claim 51  
2 wherein the segments are windows defined by a predetermined  
3 number of characters.

1 Claim 69 (previously presented): The apparatus of claim 51  
2 wherein the segments are windows defined by a predetermined  
3 number of words.

1 Claim 70 (previously presented): The apparatus of claim 51  
2 wherein the segments are sentences.

1 Claim 71 (previously presented): The apparatus of claim 51  
2 wherein the segments are paragraphs.

1 Claim 72 (new): A method for processing search results,  
2 the method comprising acts of:  
3       a) receiving search results that have been generated  
4       based on a query that includes one or more keywords;  
5       b) receiving at least one of the one or more  
6       keywords;  
7       c) identifying query-specific duplicate documents by  
8       comparing one or more segments of documents

9       corresponding to the search results, wherein each of  
10      the one or more segments includes at least one of the  
11      one or more keywords; and  
12      d) generating a set of final search results from the  
13      received set of search results using the identified  
14      query-specific duplicate documents such that the set  
15      of final search results does not include two search  
16      results corresponding to two query-specific duplicate  
17      documents.